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SUMMARY OF REVISIONS: This supplement establishes the Central Region criteria/definition of a “Small Craft Advisory” for the Great Lakes.

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1. Introduction. NWSI 10-301 the Great Lakes Marine Services Procedural Directive's definition of "Small Craft Advisory" provides for regional modification of the lower limit of the seas/waves criteria.

2. Seas/Waves Criteria. Central Region has established the lower limit of the seas/waves criteria as greater than 4 feet. Therefore, the criteria for "Small Craft Advisory" for the Great Lakes in the Central Region are: sustained winds, or frequent gusts, between 22 and 33 knots, inclusive and/or seas/waves greater than 4 feet.